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Mr. and Mrs. T. D. McNeil Renew Nuptial Vows At Golden Wedding Anniversary Ceremony

Saturday morning at an 11 o'clock Solemn High Mass at Nativity Catholic Church, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. McNeil, 1744 Andree Ave., in the presence of nine of their children with their husbands and wives and 13 grandchildren, renewed their wedding vows exactly 50 years from the day that they were married, Jan. 22, 1905 in Port Morien Nova Scotia, Canada.

The church was filled with relatives and friends among whom were the two persons who were present at the wedding fifty years ago, Gus Bray of Torrance, cousin of Mr. McNeil and Robert Hayes of Boston, Mass.

For the ceremony, the main altar was banked with yellow carnations and yellow pom pom chrysanthemums against a background of gilded leaves. Tall white cathedral candles lighted the altar.

Immediately preceding the mass, the couple renewed their vows. Rev. Patrick J. McGuinness, pastor, celebrated the mass. On the altar also were Rev. Robert Gara, master of ceremonies, Rev. Bernard Gannon, former Torrance resident, deacon; Rev. Michael Moser, subdeacon. Other priests in attendance were Rev. Donald Bracht, principal at Serra High school and Rev. Thomas J. Glynn, new assistant.

The mass was sung by the senior choir under the direction of Laurence M. Sargent. Serving the mass were Jack McNeil, grandson of the honored couple, Edward Bernardin and Robert Vieshahaus.

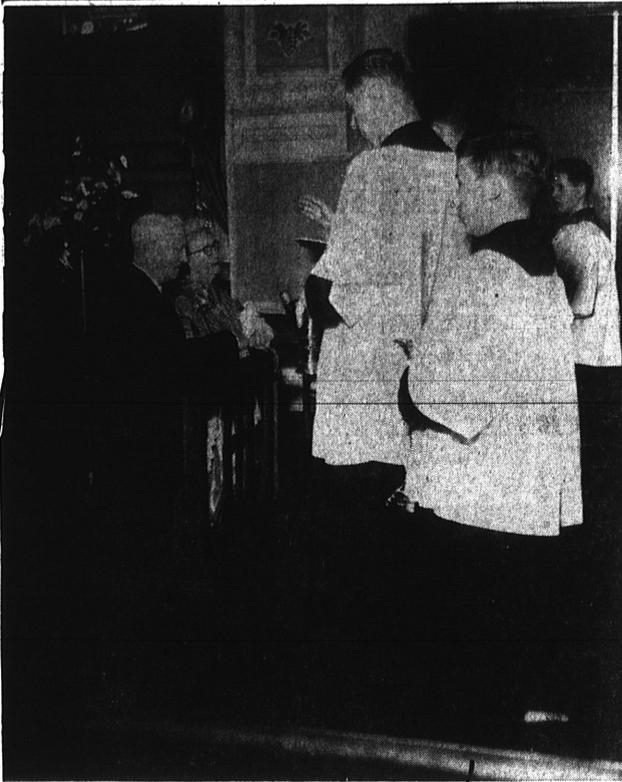
After the mass, an open house was held at the home where the family has resided since coming to Torrance in 1920. Arrangements of gilded leaves and yellow and white flowers were used in decorating. A huge white and gold wedding cake

centered the dining table. One hundred guests called to congratulate the couple.

Mr. McNeil retired in 1951. He had served as foreman at the J. V. McNeil Construction Co. for 22 years, six years with the Union Tool Co. and four years with Columbia Steel and Enso. He and Mrs. McNeil have been active in the development of Nativity church since the days when services were held in the old library on Cabrillo Ave. Mr. McNeil is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Holy Name Society.

Children and their families who came for the celebration, were Mrs. Phil Tepper of Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. James Lanz, Oakland; Mrs. Art Goss, Redondo Beach; Mrs. A. L. May, Glendale; Mrs. James H. Payne, Pasadena; and Mrs. Corwin Dean, Thomas F. McNeil and Joseph J. McNeil, all of Torrance. Another daughter, Mrs. Clifford F. Sprague of Saudi Arabia, recently underwent surgery and was unable to come home for the golden wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. McNeil in giving their idea of what a long and happy marriage consists of, said "There are two principals, faith and generosity. We have lived for each other, our children and our God."



MR. AND MRS. T. D. MCNEIL
... Receive Blessing

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Three Dance Clubs Plan Spring Affair for March

To usher in the spring social season, three local dance clubs are planning a dance to be given in March. These clubs are Sobada, Las Fiestadores and Triple T.

To work out plans, for this first combined affair for the three clubs, committees representative of each organization met last week in the

playroom at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Derouin, 1625 Beech Ave.

The Sobada dance club was represented by Messrs. and Mrs. Derouin, Frank Cavanaugh and Frank Farrell. The Las Fiestadores committee was composed of Messrs. and Mrs. Rodney Morris, Ralph Rugraff, Robert Triplett and Lloyd Jones.

Making arrangements for the Triple T dance club were Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Bauman, Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Bingham, Messrs. and Mrs. James Stavert and Robert Lewellen.

Rodney Norris served as chairman for the evening and Mrs. Frank Farrell acted as secretary-treasurer. During a social hour, refreshments were served.

After a delicious dessert course in which the Valentine colors were emphasized, bridge was played with Mrs. Helen Dryer winning the first prize, Mrs. D. A. Murphy held the second high score and Mrs. Robert Sleeth won the traveling prize.

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Pastor and Family On Eastern Trip

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Wenske and children Rebecca, Elizabeth and Paul Jr. left by train Tuesday of last week for Milwaukee, Wis. where Rev. Wenske, pastor of the local Lutheran Church, will attend a church meeting. He is chairman of the evangelical department of the California district. After the meeting the family will visit Mrs. Wenske's former home in Toledo, O., and Rev. Wenske's old home, Play Center, Neb. They expect to return Feb. 4.

DINNER-DANCE

Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Bauman, 1504 Post Ave., attended the West Coast Yacht club dinner dance at the Moulin Rouge on Sunset Strip last Friday evening.

Party Fetes Birthdays

The rumpus room at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Derouin, 1625 Beech Ave., was the scene of a festive Spanish dinner and party Sunday afternoon when friends entertained honoring Mr. and Mrs. Derouin and Ted Meiers who had celebrated birthdays recently.

Enjoying the affair were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rhone and Dore; Mr. and Mrs. John Ricci and Sharon and Johnny; Mr. and Mrs. Von Bergen, Mrs. Laura Felker and Andrea, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Meier, Mr. and Mrs. Derouin and sons Dal, Pat and Mike, and Mrs. Hazle Ward.

Mrs. Klink, Jr. Party Hostess

Mrs. Joel R. Klink Jr. entertained at a lovely bridge luncheon Friday afternoon at her home, 1633 Post Ave. An all-pink theme was used in decorating. After the luncheon bridge was played with the first prize going to Mrs. William Boswell and a second prize to Mrs. Calvin Blakely. Enjoying Mrs. Klink's hospitality were Mmes. Philip Hal-loran, Calvin Blakely, Robert Front, Parke Montague, Joan Mitchell, William Boswell and Robert Triplett.

DINNER GUESTS

Sunday evening dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, 2724 Arlington Ave. were Mr. and Mrs. Al Stephens of Van Nuys and their houseguests, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bedford of Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Halsted of Venice and Mr. and Mrs. Don Halstead and Kathy of Lakewood.

DANCING PARTY

Bob Bauman entertained with a dancing party at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Bauman, 1504 Post Ave. Saturday afternoon. Dancing was followed with refreshments.

Bob's guests were Phillip Columbus, Eddie Perales, Richard Logsdon, Michael Mullen, Betty Baker, Mary Valdes, Donna Chapman, Sally Dubin, and Caroline Church.

DeMolay Moms Hold Meet

DeMolay mothers worked out plans for preparing food for the DeMolays trip to the snow at the meeting last Tuesday held at the home of Mrs. Howard Nelson, 1804 Marionette Ave.

Mrs. Charles Collins, president, was in charge of the business session at which a donation to the Retainers fund was made in memory of the late Mrs. Arthur Bingham who was a past president of the Mothers' club.

Mrs. William Scholl was welcomed as a new member and during the social hour refreshments were served.

Members attending were Mmes. Nell Nelson, Luana Collins, Doris Witt, Peggy Roxy, Juanita Jackson, Thelma Whitcomb, Bernice Trenary, Dorothy Craig, Shirley Rowland, Mary Cook, Louise Bale, Sabina Abramson, Sally Donaldson, Rose Schmidt, Romilda Scholl, Gracemary Rhone and Mae Sherkey.



MARGUERITE CARPENTER
... March Bride

Miss Carpenter Will Wed Dr. C. R. Houske on March 13

Claiming top social interest this morning is the engagement announcement of Miss Marguerite Carpenter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Carpenter Jr., of Manhattan Beach and Palm Springs to Dr. Chesley R. Houske of Torrance.

March 13, the 40th wedding anniversary of the bride-elect's parents, has been chosen by the couple as their wedding date.

Miss Carpenter was graduated from Alexander Hamilton High School where she was a sealbearer and a member of the Epehehians. She was then graduated from the University of Southern California Dental school where she was president of the senior class of dental hygiene and social chairman of Alpha Kappa Gamma professional sorority. Her social affiliations include Delta Gamma sorority of which she served as house manager in her senior year, and the Ebell club of Los Angeles.

The bride-elect's father was insurance commissioner of California during Gov. Merriam's administration. Prior to his retirement, he was manager of

AT CONVENTION

Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Eastham and two sons, Galen and Garry of Palos Verdes accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ragsdale and son Timmy of Long Beach spent last weekend in Monterey and Carmel. Dr. Eastham and Mr. Ragsdale represented the Torrance Kiwanis Club at the California-Nevada-Hawaii Kiwanis Convention in session in Monterey.



ANITA SHAHEEN
... Bride-elect

Shaheen-Zuray Wedding Day Set for Jan. 30 at Wayside

Anita Louise Shaheen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Shaheen, 25603 President Ave., Harbor City will become the bride of Frank Zuray Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zuray of Toledo, Ohio in a ceremony Sunday, Jan. 30 at the Methodist Wayside Chapel in Lomita.

Miss Shaheen will be graduated from Narbonne High School tomorrow. At the high school she has served as vice-president of the GAA, secretary of the Jane Addams Club, and was a letter girl.

Mr. Zuray was graduated from Narbonne High School last June. He was president of the Lettermen Society, was a Vigilante and active in football and track. For the past year he has been employed by a local construction company.

Miss Shaheen has announced her bridal party personnel today. Miss Shirley Carlson will be the maid of honor; Miss Gloria Shaheen, sister of the bride will serve as bridesmaid and a younger sister, Mary Kay Shaheen, will be the flower girl. Gordon Garrett will be best man. The Rev. Howard Roseme will officiate at the wedding and a reception will follow in the church.

The young couple will leave soon after the ceremony for Toledo to make their home.

Juniors Use King Neptune Theme at Initiation Event

King Neptune and His Court ruled at the beautiful initiation dinner party given last evening by the Torrance Junior Woman's club at the clubhouse. The decorations were made by Mrs. Sid Ganz who designed the individual certificates for each guest. The favors were ornamented with pink seashells.

The head table was centered with King Neptune and His Court surrounded with fans and sea shells. Each individual table held centerpiece carrying out the theme representing various islands of King Neptune's domain.

Mothers of the Junior members were honor guests for the evening. They were welcomed by Mrs. Robert Lowry. The response was made by Mrs. J. G. Arnold, mother of Mrs. Phillip Hoffman.

A program, arranged by Mrs. J. Helphand consisted of sev-

eral numbers by the Los Canoneros vocal group.

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ALTA SEARLES
... Betrothal Told

Searles-Madison Nuptials To Be Solemnized March 5

Of interest to their many friends in the harbor area is the announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Alta E. Searles and Sheldon A. Madison.

The popular young couple has set March 5 as the date of their nuptials.

Bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Searles of 25025 Cypress St., Lomita, and the benedict-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne S. Madison of 1729 W. 254th St., Lomita.

Miss Searles is a graduate of both Narbonne High School and Harbor Junior College. She is a member of the Phi Sigma Epsilon Fraternity. He is employed by his father at the Avia-

tion Cabinet Shop.



A FANTASY OF THE SEA ... was provided in the decorations for the Junior Woman's Club's initiation dinner held last evening at the clubhouse. Admiring King Neptune's crown, sea shells and plumes cleverly designed by Mrs. Sid Ganz, left, are Mr. Robert Schooley, Mrs. Don Oakes and Mrs. James Weil.